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SUBJECT: SECURITY POLICE IMPOSE BAN ON TERRORISM NEWS

1. SA SECURITY POLICE ANNOUNCED AT LEAST TEMPORARY EMBARGO ON ITS RELEASE OF INFO CONCERNING URBAN TERRORISM. BAN IS BELIEVED TO BE DIRECT RESULT OF NEWSPAPERS PUBLISHING KAMBULE DETENTION STORY, ALTHOUGH PRESS QUOTES SECURITY CHIEF GELDENHUYS AS SIMPLY SAYING "CERTAIN NEWSPAPERS HAVE GONE AHEAD AND PUBLISHED MATERIAL WE HAVE FREQUENTLY ASKED THEM SPECIFICALLY NOT TO PUBLISH. I AM NOT NOW PREPARED TO GIVE INFORMATION TO ANYONE ON THESE MATTERS."

2. IN EARLIER TALK BETWEEN POLOFF AND KAMBULE, HEADMASTER OF ORLANDO HIGH SCHOOL, HE MENTIONED THAT HE WAS WARNED IF HE TALKED TO PRESS AFTER HIS MYSTERIOUS PICK-UP AND LATER RELEASE, A BAN LIKE THIS MIGHT BE FORTHCOMING.

3. COMMENT: DEPENDING ON HOW LONG THE BAN LASTS AND HOW EFFECTIVE IT IS, IT CAN CERTAINLY AFFECT THE ABILITY OF THE NEWSPAPERS AND OF THE CONSULATE TO ASCERTAIN WHO, AT THE LEAST, HAS BEEN
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